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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

(Case No. 98,736-A)

In re Application of:

Roderick Hall, et al.

Serial No.: 09/441,966

Filed: November 17, 1999

For: A METHOD FOR ACCELERATING
THE RATE OF MUCILIARY
CLEARANCE



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of this application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 71, line 19, please delete "_____" and insert -- 441,654 --; and

On page 72, line 12, please delete "accession number_____" and insert "Patent Deposit Designation PTA-940".